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Title: **DIAGNOSIS OF DEMYELINATING OR SPONGIFORM DISEASE**

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a)

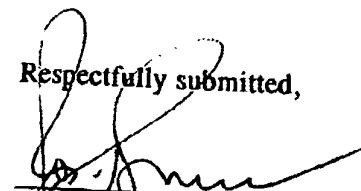
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To the Commissioner:

Applicant petitions the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks to extend the time for response to the Office Action date June 30, 2003, for one month from September 30, 2003, to October 30, 2003. The granting of the requested extension of time will not extend the period for response beyond the six-month statutory limit.

A check for \$55 is enclosed to cover the petition fee. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 18-2055.

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